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Subject: Microsoft Settlement

Dear Department of Justice:

I wish to comment on the proposed settlement of
United States vs Microsoft.

I believe Microsoft should be left free to produce and
sell whatever software they want to. I do not believe they
should be punished or restricted in any way, for they have
done nothing wrong.

Microsoft has produced many good products that have
greatly helped its customers. I, along with millions of
other Americans, use this company's products, such as
operating systems, web browsers and electronic-mail programs,
every day. I am very happy with my purchases, and I very
much want Microsoft to be free to offer me its best efforts
for sale in the future.

Successful companies do not deserve to be throttled by the
government; rather, they deserve to have their property,
which they have earned through voluntary trade, protected.

The complaints against Microsoft have been made by various
unsuccessful competitors. These companies, along with the
government, have no right to tell me what software I can
buy to run on my computer, nor do they have any right to
stop Microsoft from selling software that consumers everywhere
are eager to buy. Microsoft has initiated force against nobody.

Microsoft, and the people who want to buy their products should
be left to peacefully pursue their business. Their success is
not a threat to anybody.

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